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SUBJECT:93RD EXBD: ITEM 4.5.3 (LEBANESE/UNESCO AGREEMENT  
ESTABLISHING INTERNATIONAL CENTRE: DOCUMENT 93 EX/19)

1. DEL MAY WELCOME DG'S PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING DECISION  
TO ASSIST LEBANESE TO ESTABLISH BYBLOS CENTRE, WHICH U.S.  
BELIEVES CAN MAKE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO "DEVELOPMENT  
OF INTERDISCIPLINARY PHILOSOPHICAL REFLECTION" (17TH GC  
RES. 3.11) AND WHICH IT WISHES EVERY SUCCESS. IN THIS  
CONNECTION, WE WOULD URGE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES TO SEEK  
INSPIRATION AND GUIDANCE FROM VIENNA CENTRE NOW COMPLETING  
FIRST DECADE OF SERVICE TO HUMANITY, WHOSE PHILOSOPHICAL  
OPENNESS AND UNIVERSALITY, DESPITE ITS EUROPEAN ORIENTATION,  
ARE PARTICULARLY COMMENDED TO BYBLOS CENTRE.

2. IN HELPFUL SPIRIT, DELEGATION MAY ALSO WISH TO SUGGEST  
FOLLOWING CHANGES IN AGREEMENT THAT WE BELIEVE WOULD  
FACILITATE CENTRE'S SMOOTH FUNCTIONING:

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IN ORDER TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE OF CENTRE'S BROAD

CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK, IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO REWORD  
SECOND SENTENCE OF ARTICLE 6 TO READ: "BY PRESENTING  
PROBLEMS IN A WIDER CONTEXT, IT SHOULD HELP TO  
SUGGEST MORE SUITABLE SOLUTIONS TO A WIDE RANGE OF  
PROBLEMS, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS."

ARTICLE 7 - SINCE GOL'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS  
PREREQUISITE TO CENTRE'S SUCCESSFUL FUNCTIONING,  
WE SUGGEST THAT THIRD SENTENCE OF ARTICLE READ  
AS FOLLOWS: "THE CENTRE'S BUDGET WILL BE  
SUPPLIED FROM VOLUNTARY ASSISTANCE RECEIVED  
IN ANY APPROPRIATE FORM FROM NATIONAL, REGIONAL,  
OR INTERNATIONAL BLIC OR PRIVATE SOURCES, FROM  
CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY THE LEBANESE STATE, FROM THE  
SALE OF ITS PUBLICATIONS, AND FROM UNESCO IN SUCH  
AMOUNTS AS THE GC DECIDES TO GRANT. COMMITMENTS  
BY UNESCO TO THE CENTRE'S BUDGET WILL BE  
CONDITIONED UPON RECEIPT BY THE CENTRE OF AMOUNTS  
COMMITTED BY OTHER SOURCES."

3. THE DELEGATION SHOULD STRESS THAT ABOVE SUGGESTIONS  
Arose AFTER CAREFUL READING OF DRAFT AGREEMENT.DELEGATION  
MAY APPROVE DRAFT RESOLUTION CONTAINED 93 EX/19 WITHOUT  
COMMITMENT BY DG OR LEBANESE TO ADOPT OUR RECOMMENDATIONS  
BUT SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT WE WOULD, HOWEVER, LIKE TO HAVE  
CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF THE CHANGE PROPOSED FOR ARTICLE 7.  
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